

## Northumberland and Durham Labrador Retriever Club Championship Show 14th October 2017

### Judges report on Bitches

It was a pleasure to judge at this friendly breed club show whose committee made sure everyone was very welcome and to hear ringside spectators generously applauding their fellow competitors successes throughout the day. My thanks to my two helpful stewards who kept the ring classes moving well, enabling us to finish just after lunchtime, in order that those showing at North West Labrador Club Championship show near Bolton the following day could commence their journeys south.

There was a good quality entry of 188 dogs and bitches. Most exhibits were shown in clean condition. A few were not clean and my hands needed regular cleaning.

I have included the winners breeding as I find it interesting and I hope readers will.

I prefer exhibits to be moved on loose leads at a correct pace for Labrador. They should not be moved at a speedway pace or run into the back of the dog in front. Remember, the faster you go, the more the legs converge towards a single track and if strung up by a tight lead, any judge will think WHY? Whats being covered up? Are they unsound?

The Bitch CC winner, Best Opposite sex and Reserve Best in Show was Angela Mitchells Sh Ch Callyswood Caitlin.

The Dog CC winner under Isobel Key and Best in Show under both judges was 5 year old Blacksugar Luis owned By Stefan Praetzas from Germany. He has slowly and steadily matured correctly into an eye-catching show dog and was made up to a Show Champion at NW Lab Ch show the following day, where he once again won the CC and went Best in Show.

### Veteran 8 (3abs)

1 Rogers Woodmist Saffron. (Rocheby Old Smokey x Abbeystead Wren in Woodmist) Sound as a bell and looking and moving like a youngster. 10 year old, correctly made, darker yellow in great condition. Excellent balance from nose to tail. Honest character. Pleasing head, clean neck of ideal length. Correct strong but feminine angles fore and aft. Well placed shoulder and upper arm. Well boned, with good legs and feet. Barrel rib, level topline short coupled with strong quarters, good second thigh. Well set on tail. Moved freely and happily. A top class bitch who is lasting so well. So unlucky not to have gained her title in the past having previously won 2 CCs

2 Dodds Sh Ch Brockberrow Breaking Dawn. (Sh Ch Rocheby Stae Occasion x Eneleon Amethyst). 8 years. Another beautiful bitch; a favourite of mine. Black with classic head and melting, brown-eyed expression. Well angulated and well-made, fore and aft. Strongly built and short coupled without any coarseness. A lovely bitch, both moving and standing. In good double coat. Undercarriage a trifle untidy on the day.

3 Percivals Sh Ch Wynfaul Rosy Glow (Cerboras Red Rum of Leospring x Cricklecreek Climax at Wynfaul)

Minor Puppy Bitch 15 (3abs)

Very exciting class for future quality. All five placed have potential.

1 Lewis's Ramsayville Rosy Outlook at Crammondkirk. (Sh Ch Brighton Sarracenia (Imp Pol) x Clearcreek Bonaventure Wild as The Wind (Imp USA).

One of two well-presented cracking 6 month old litter sisters in the same ownership in this class. Classic, well-made, well boned feminine black. Gorgeous head and expression. Balanced throughout on good legs and feet. Everything in the right place fore and aft for age. In good coat. Moved and showed well. Unfortunately could not compete for Best Bitch Puppy as beaten in a later class.

2 Gardners Rewari Euramillion. (Pollham Maxamillion x Rewari Ekaterina)

8 months eye-catching short-coupled yellow presented in pristine coat and condition. Pretty head and kind expression, with brown eyes and good pigment. Clean lines throughout Good neck, shoulder and length of upper arm. Deep through rib. Well boned legs with neat feet. Well-made throughout with level topline and well set on tail. Moved well.

3 Lewis's Ramsayville Rags to Riches at Crammondkirk (Sh Ch Brighton Sarracenia (Imp Pol) x Clearcreek Bonaventure Wind as The Wind (Imp USA). Black litter sister to no1 with different handler. Lucky owner!

Puppy Bitch 9 (3Abs)

1 Meeks Winter Star Leminiscatus at Johdine (Imp Pol) (Secret Way to my Heart of Labgold x Silver Alpha of Leminiscatus) 11months pale yellow. Strongly built, balanced, short coupled well angulated Pleasing head with good pigment and kind expression. Good clean neck, well placed shoulder and correct upper arm. Well boned legs and neat feet. Strong, deep barrel rib with level topline. Strong quarters with well-set tail. In profuse heavy puppy coat. Moved freely.

2 Gardner's Rewari Eureka (Ch Pollham Penny Royal x Rewari Elvira) 10 months classic black youngster, well balanced short coupled and well-constructed from nose to tail. Well angulated with all the attributes I was looking for and moving freely.

3 McRorys Medovillabs Shooting Star (Millroseglan Money Talks x Millroseglan Highland Lass)

Junior Bitch 15 (5abs)

1 O'Briens Maxfield Arabella (Fin Ch Devonshires London Edition x Mandursans Miss Demeanor of Maxfield) Gorgeous yellow with great potential. 14 months old. Well made, well balanced and well angulated from nose to tail. Prettiest expression, clean lines, good legs and neat feet, well ribbed with level topline and strong quarters and good second thigh.

So happy on the move with well carried tail. A touch more maturity and she will trouble the best.

2 Lewis's Crammondkirk Rogue Gossip (Crammondkirk All the Gossip JW x Afinmore Aaliyah at Crammondkirk). Balanced 12 months yellow. Well-made throughout, short coupled with pleasing head and sweet expression. Strong quarters with good second thigh. In good double coat, moved happily.

3 Powells Seatallen Yellow Archangel (AI) ( Int Ch Eneleon Wandering Star x Seatallen Waterlily)

Yearling 10 (3abs)

1 Woodleys A Sense of Pleasures Ylvi at Alkhamhurst (Imp DU) (German Ch. A Sense of Pleasures I'm a Joker x Waterlines Selleria)

Classic, very promising black 20 months, still plenty of maturing to come which is correct for the breed. Good size, proportions and balance. Clean lines in profile and short-coupled Well-made and well angulated throughout. Lovely head and expression, well boned with good legs and neat feet. Well ribbed, level topline, with strong quarters and well set tail. Moved freely. Look forward to seeing her once fully mature.

2 Barthrum's Gulsary Grand Operetta at Danru (Fin Ch Devonshires London Edition x Gulsary Galatea) Sweet headed traditional yellow with kind expression and shown in good double coat. Good pigment and eye colour. Well boned legs and neat feet. Barrel ribs and level topline. Strong quarters with good second thigh. Moved with drive on loose lead.

3 Meeks's Johdine Lemon Punch (Rocheby Old Punch x Eviespride Winter Sunshine)

Maiden 10 (3abs)

1 Shirtons Woolman Proper Dream Maker (Carpenny Primo x Woolman Proper Wishmaker)

Well balanced feminine 11months yellow. Well-made throughout with correct angulation front and back. Pretty head and expression; good neck shoulder and upper arm. Well boned legs and neat feet, Well ribbed, shortcoupled with strong quarters and well set tail. Moved well. Best Bitch Puppy.

2 Lewis's Ramsayville Rosy Outlook at Crammondkirk. (Sh Ch Brighton Sarracenia (Imp Pol x Clearcreek Bonaventure Wild as The Wind (Imp USA). Repeat of 1st Minor Puppy

3 Smiths Hannahs Honey Pie (Sh Ch Rocheby State Occasion x Hannkell Honey)

Novice 9 (2abs)

1 Powell Seatallen Yoshino (Int Ch Eneleon Wandering Star x Seatallen Waterlily). 17 months black of classic shape, size and maturity for age. Built on very pleasing lines. Kind feminine, brown-eyed, expression. Well boned legs and neat feet. Well ribbed with level topline and well set otter tail, moved freely.

2 Lewis's Ramsayville Rosy Outlook at Crammondkirk. (Sh Ch Brighton Sarracenia (Imp Pol x Clearcreek Bonaventure Wild as The Wind (Imp USA). Repeat of 1st Minor Puppy.

3 McRorys Medovillabs Shooting Star (Millroseglen Money Talks x Millroseglen Highland Lass) 3rd in Puppy Bitch.

Undergraduate Bitch 9 (3 abs)

1 Lewis's Crammondkirk Rogue Gossip (Crammondkirk All the Gossip JW x Afinmore Aaliyah at Crammondkirk). Repeat 2nd in |Junior.

2 Smith and Bibby Meadowline Mi Suen a Bruxinho JW (Es/G/B Ch Kowalski Buffalo Bill x Meadowline Midsummer Martha)Very well made yellow pleasing head and appealing expression Strongly built and well boned throughout without coarseness. Well ribbed, shortcoupled with strong quarters and good second thigh. Tail well set on and moved well. Lost out today on carrying far too much weight which, on the day, spoilt her neck and shoulder line.

3 Smiths Hannahs Honey Pie (Sh Ch Rocheby State Occasion x Hannkell Honey) Repeat 3rd Maiden

Graduate 9 (1 abs )

1 Shirtons Woolman Proper Wishmaker (Sh Ch Carpenny Made a Million x Woolman Proper Starlight). Traditional mid yellow in good coat. Strongly built but feminine. Sweet expression with well- shaped, brown eye and good pigment. Well angulated front and back. Well ribbed with strong quarters and well- turned stifles. Otter tail set on well and in excellent coat. Moved well.

2 Digweed and Metcalfe Brynlluan Golden Dawn to Baileykin (Ch Bilbo Baggins by Baileydale JW ShCM x Driffwold Pass the Salt to Brynlluan). Well-made 3 year old yellow. Good clean neck, well placed shoulder and upper arm. Well boned legs and neat feet. Well ribbed with level topline. Strong quarters and well set, well clothed tail. Moved freely. Slightly matronly undercarriage on the day.

3 Bells Westerulston Nola (Mardas Roman Republic x Brigburn Sonoran at Westerulston

Post Graduate 19 (5abs) A very pleasing class of top quality exhibits.

1 Hofmas Ansjoros Cutey (Baileydale Blaze a Trail x Rhea Rebel VD Ansjoros) Classic 2year old black bitch. Everything to like about her and winning a very good class. Pleasing head. Well built and well balanced. Feminine with melting brown eyed expression. Correct angles and proportions throughout. Clean lined in profile. Good legs and feet, well ribbed with level topline and well set tail. Moved freely.

2 Rogers Woodmist Mimosa (Sh Ch Carpenny Made a Million x Woodmist Saffron) Well made from nose to tail, strongly built yet feminine, well ribbed, shortcoupled, well balanced darker yellow. Sweet head and expression, pleasing outline standing and on the move.

3 Balshaw and Rawlinsons Shanorrell Socialite at Halshimoor JW (Fin Ch Devonshires London Edition (Imp USA) x Sh Ch Shannorrell Splendour at Halshimoor

Limit Bitch 23(8 abs) Another top quality class.

1. RCC Timms Lejie Peace Thyme ( Mardas Roman Republic x Lejie Thyme). Top class yellow shown in beautiful coat and condition. Pleasing head with brown eyed melting expression, exuding kindness and will to please. Clean strong, well-built lines throughout but thoroughly feminine. Well balanced from nose to well set on tail. A credit to her owner breeder. In addition to these attributes, won this excellent class on free, positive movement.

2 Brambles Shaymiloney Stormin Norma. (Mardas Roman Republic x Shaymiloney Sweet Pea) Classic black. Half-sister to above and the breeds latest show champion. Well-made and well angulated front and back. Strong but utterly feminine. Pleasing head and kind expression. Good reach of neck, well placed shoulder and upper arm. Well ribbed and well boned with good legs and feet. Balanced throughout, and in good coat. Movement was sound, straight and true. Celebrated her 2nd place by immediately throwing up her breakfast on the mat much to her owners abject horror!

3 Charltons Foxrush Straight Talking JW (Sh Ch Rocheby State Occasion x Foxrush Rebecca JW)

Open Bitch 9 (3abs)

1. CC Best Opposite Sex and Reserve Best in Show. Mitchells Sh Ch Callyswood Caitlin (Fin Ch Devonshires London Edition x Cornlands Lady Flora) A classic correctly made 3year old yellow of quality, who has matured slowly and steadily to her current perfection. Shown in lovely coat and perfect condition. Moving so well around the ring with easy ground-covering strides. Feminine head and kind generous expression. Balanced throughout with correct angles front and back. Well boned well ribbed, short coupled with strong boad quarters, good width of second thigh and well -turned stifles. Perfect in profile and on the move. A pleasure to award her the CC.

2 Charltons Sh Ch Foxrush Spun Gold JW (Sh Ch Rocheby State Occasion x Foxrush Rebecca)Two year old litter sister of 3rd in excellent Limit class. Well- built, well-constructed yellow in good coat. Balanced throughout. Pleasing head, kind expression. Good neck shoulder and upper arm, well boned legs and neat feet well ribbed, with level topline and well set tail. Moved steadily with purpose.

3 Powells Seatallen Waterlily. (Ned Ch Creekwater Surf Scoter x Seatallen Teasel)

Special Working Bitch 2 (0)

1 Rogers Woodmist Rosemary (Linnburnhead Reed Warbler x Woodmist Saffron) 8 year old honest, typical well-made black. Sweet expression, brown eye, well bodied and balanced, standing on good legs and tight feet. Strong quarters Moved freely.

2 Coodes Warringahs Gulwarra JW 2 year old chocolate of good even colour. Pleasing head and expression. Good neck, shoulder and upper arm. Clean lined in profile. Barrel rib. Moved well. Lost her topline at the crucial point.

Judge Ann Britton (Bowstones)

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